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LOCAL BREVITIES.

PERSONAL POINTERS FITTLY PRINTED.

Various Items Garnered From This and Other Fields—What Our People Are Doing.

March 31 will be Easter Sunday.

Easter comes two weeks from next Sunday.

Capt. Myers' child, which has been sick a month is not yet out of danger. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence A. Robinson, Monday afternoon, March 10, a son.

J. S. Hair went away last week leaving an unsavory record behind him.

Pompano are beginning to come in. Pretty soon we shall have an abundance of this prince of food fish.

Mr. Wm. H. Stevens, of Towanda, Pa., who is wintering at Cleveland, was in town Monday.

Mr. C. L. Huddleston, of St. James City, was greeting his many friends here Tuesday.

Miss Lulu Williams left Tuesday for Wauchula to enter Prof. Carr's normal school there.

Rev. P. W. Carr, of Wauchula, will preach in the Baptist church Sunday morning. Everybody invited.

Mr. W. H. Towles' schooner Lily White sailed Wednesday with 100 cattle for Key West.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Towles, Fort Myers, Sunday morning, March 9, 1922, a son.

D. Y. Brinker, a well known Tampa salesman, spent Tuesday at Hotel Dade.

One of the most wholesome shortcomings, far superior to lard, is planter—sold by T. O'R. Jameson.

Col. Pepper will speak in the Presbyterian church Sunday morning at the usual hour for service.

A unique story in which a number of prominent Punta Gorda people figure conspicuously, will appear in next week's HERALD.

Rev. J. E. McIntosh preached in Lakeland last Sunday, and he comes back to us overflowing with words of praise for Lakeland.

Young ladies desiring to make some money with which to go off to school may write at once to Littleton Female College, Littleton, N. C. 1031.

McLaurin, of South Carolina, dined at Hotel Dade Monday. But he was another McLaurin and not the famous foe of Ben Tillman.

Col. Jno. H. Hancock, Fort Ogden's handsome and able lawyer, spent Saturday here looking after business.

Silas Powell & Son have opened a shoe shop in the embrasure between Blount's and the postoffice and will do good work at reasonable prices.

Punta Gorda's prospects were never brighter. It would perhaps be safe to predict that her population will be increased 50 per cent by this time next year.

An interesting story of Punta Gorda written especially for THE HERALD was received too late for this week's paper, but will appear next week.

Both of the Tampa papers report Judge Wall as holding court in Bartow, whereas he is holding it in Arcadia. Even the greatest editors make mistakes.

The meat market heretofore conducted by H. Hair & Co. now belongs to B. Bassett & Co., who have an expert meat cutter in charge and will fill orders promptly.

Mr. T. B. Stephenson returned last week from Atlanta, where he had spent several weeks in a hospital. His health is much improved, but he is still weak.

One of the wise, but emphatic men of long ago remarked that school is paved with good intentions, and we weep to believe that much of such paving material is being sent down from Punta Gorda.

The steamer Rienzi of Fort Myers, which was sunk by the gales week before last in front of Charlotte Harbor and reported a total wreck, was raised last week and towed back to Fort Myers.

Circuit court met at Arcadia Tuesday. Half a dozen or more Punta Gordians were in attendance. Amongst them were Gen. Gilchrist, Col. Spence, Messrs. Scott Burnham, Will Johnson and Sam Boole.

The News reports the sale last week of Taylor Frierson's orange grove east of Nocatee to W. W. Langford for \$20,000. The grove contains 425 orange and 400 grapefruit trees, all in bearing.

Mr. J. M. Cameron, consulting engineer, of Philadelphia, is here looking after the various details in the construction of the big ice and fish freezing plant. He is an expert in his line and a very interesting and agreeable gentleman.

Mrs. Henry Daughtrey, of Fort Ogden, is reported dangerously ill from the bite of a black bottle spider.

Several hundred men are engaged in re-building the Hull phosphate plant at Liverpool.

Mr. Dewey's big dredge will begin Monday opening a channel 90 feet wide and 7 feet deep from here to Liverpool.

Two dozen of our young people, chaperoned by Mrs. Baughman, had a delightful picnic, Tuesday, at Cushing's grove on Pineapple river.

Mr. Ed. M. Earnest is this week representing the local lodge as delegate to the annual meeting in Tampa of the grand lodge of Knights of Pythias.

The esteemed town council continues to discuss important matters, but one of the most important of all, a reliable supply of decent drinking water, has not yet been considered.

E. M. Robinson, of New York, a Southern Railway official, went down to Grove City Saturday to spend a month. He was accompanied by his wife and brother-in-law.

The sharpie Eliza White, Capt. E. J. Hellen, brought up Saturday night 10,000 pounds of mullet and 1,000 lbs. of trout for Chadwick Bros. Fish Co. Pretty fine catch.

Mr. Perry L. McAdow is putting out an orange grove and making other improvements on some valuable island property down the bay which he recently purchased.

Call on N. N. Wakefield for your hay and grain.

One of Mr. Van Riper's fine bird dogs was killed by the cars on the railroad dock, Saturday evening. He was cut in two and the two parts fell into the bay. Ladies witnessing the noble dog's fate naturally shed tears.

Sheriff Fielder came here from court Tuesday night and arrested two white citizens on charges of selling liquor illegally. He also summoned half a dozen other citizens as witnesses and took them up to court Wednesday morning.

Rooms for rent—three good ones. Apply to N. N. Wakefield.

Mr. J. E. Thwaites, recently railway mail clerk between Lakeland and Punta Gorda, has lately been in another railroad smash-up, this time away out in Washington. No particulars received, but Mr. Thwaites' many friends here hope he escaped injury.

Mrs. Trabue and Mrs. Cohoe and Miss Alice Purdie were treated by Capt. Will Demere to a delightful excursion down the bay Tuesday. They picked up the long dock and tried to catch some fish, but the fish wouldn't bite. The party, however, enjoyed the sailing immensely.

F. G. Arnold, Arcadia's wide-awake photographer, will be here soon. Save all your work for him, and also save money for yourselves.

Judge Walter J. Foster, a prominent lawyer of New York and a friend of our Capt. K. B. Harvey, is stopping at Hotel Punta Gorda. This week he will make an excursion to Boca Grande and other points of interest below. He has been paying annual visits to this locality for the past twelve years. Mrs. Foster is with him this season.

John B. Salomon and wife and E. S. Baker, after a delightful sojourn of several weeks at Grove City, started Saturday on their return home to Jersey City, N. J. Mr. Baker will return next season and bring with him a club of a dozen nice people who have heretofore wintered in North Carolina.

Don't forget that THE HERALD has plenty of nice, clean newspapers for sale at 20 cents a hundred.

The members of the local brass band are fast learning to play well. One piece in particular, the "Queen's Serenade," they execute beautifully. Their progress and improvement reflect credit upon their two capable leaders, Perry McAdow and Norman Hewitt. It is reported that the band has already been engaged to play at the spring millinery opening of one of our big establishments.

Wood! Wood!—Big supply thoroughly seasoned stove wood, at N. N. Wakefield's.

Col. Trabue has the sincere thanks of this scribe for a potful of fine wax beans and a beautiful head of lettuce grown by himself in his pinery opposite THE HERALD office. Whenever people in Montana and other blizzard infested places write to inquire of Col. Trabue about this locality, he sends them a green bean and an English pea to speak for our winter climate.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Smith, who have enjoyed a couple of months' recreation here, started Tuesday on their return journey home in Mount Pleasant, Michigan. They go first to St. Petersburg for a few days, after which they will pay a short visit to the resorts of the East Coast and then go home. We hope to have them with us again next season.

Hon. Francis Martin, of Falls City, Nebraska, arrived Tuesday on a visit to Mrs. Martin's father, Col. John C. Pepper. Mr. Martin is a member of the Nebraska State Senate and comes here for the benefit of his health, which is in serious condition. He is suffering from appendicitis, for which he has been operated upon twice. We hope that his stay here will result in his recovery.

FOR RENT—A four-room cottage in Lavilla with one and a half acres of land for gardening. This place is also for sale with a half acre more set with pineapples. Apply to J. A. ROBERTS, Punta Gorda.

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SOLANA SIFTINGS.

Messrs. Parker and Wilson, of Solana, are employed in the big ice factory in town.

Mrs. Parker, who has been in town nursing the sick at Capt. Myers's, returned home Saturday night.

D. Warren has his new home in the course of erection. C. Baughman is doing the work.

Mrs. J. Jack has the lumber on the ground for her new house.

Mr. Slady, of Waterbury, Conn., is visiting our esteemed townsman, Mr. H. Farrell. He seems to be favorably impressed with our county.

Mr. F. W. Howard has a young grapefruit that is loaded with bloom. It is a picture to see.

Mr. Wm. Lawrence has two trees on his place raised from the seed that have a fine healthy growth, putting on bloom for the first time. They were planted six years ago.

Most of Mr. Perkins' young trees planted three years ago are putting on lots of bloom.

Orange culture has passed the experimental stage; at least that is the opinion of several in this neighborhood. On low, flat, hard-pan land Mr. H. Farrell has four trees that were planted 11 years ago. They were neglected for a number of years and burnt a time or two, but since he has taken care of them they have come out and are as pretty a lot of trees as one will find on higher ground.

While taking a stroll one evening last week I was undecided whether I was on Broadway, N. Y., or had run into an opera company or Salvation Army stranded. On my nearer approach I discovered that it was a bevy of Punta Gorda ladies who had been doing the suburbs and were belated. One of our gallant Solana boys discovered their predicament, hastened to their relief, loaded the belated fair ones into his horseless carriage, mounted the animals, and with shrieks of laughter that awakened the burg, safely conveyed them to their respective homes.

SIXTER.

CIRCUIT COURT.

In the circuit court, Tuesday, Brad Redding, colored, was tried for running a blind tiger in Punta Gorda and was acquitted by a jury, though the evidence is said to have been strong against him. His whisky, which had been seized by the officers, was restored to him.

Henry Cassidy, another colored gent who was up on the same charge, entered a plea of guilty. Sentence had not been pronounced when our reporter left court. P. S.—Fined \$100.

Carey P. Weeks, Tuesday, pleaded guilty to shooting and maiming a cow; fine \$10.00 and costs.

It is thought that the work of the court will be finished this week.

DIED IN THE PHILIPPINES.

On Tuesday, Mr. S. C. Phillips received from the quartermaster's department of the army in the Philippines notice of the death of his son, A. J. Phillips, which occurred in the hospital at Lipa, Province of Batangas, on January 7. The cause of his death is given as intermittent tertian malarial fever. The young man was 28 years old and was well known here.

He enlisted and went to Cuba at the beginning of the Spanish war and has been connected with the army ever since. At the time of his death he was serving in Troop M. of the First Cavalry. He was popular with his comrades and was well esteemed by many friends in this locality. His aged father is naturally bowed down with grief at the loss of his son. He has the sincere sympathy of all his friends here.

Mr. Phillips has decided to have his son's body brought here for interment. The government offers to pay the cost of transportation.

A Paying Education.

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For additional local news read the second page.

Mr. J. D. Porter left by easy stages Monday evening on his return to his home in Alexis, Illinois. He went via the St. Johns river from Sanford to Jacksonville, thence by steamer to Charleston, where he will enjoy a few days looking at the exposition. From Charleston he goes to Norfolk, Va., to visit a daughter, and from there to his big stock farm in Illinois.

Mr. Porter is a very interesting and agreeable gentleman, a true Democrat and a Christian, and we shall be rejoiced to have him with us again next season.

DWELLING FOR RENT OR SALE.

A nice, substantial new dwelling, newly painted, with ten rooms, 2-acre lot, good cistern, artesian well of sulphur water, chicken house etc., near the big ice factory. Is for rent or sale at a reasonable price. House is comfortably furnished throughout and will be rented with or without furniture, but a sale is preferred. Apply to THE HERALD.

WANTED—To rent a small house with convenience for garden and chickens. Must have water. Apply at this office.

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We just received a fine line of Men's and Boy's straw Hats, summer Clothing, Ties, Suspenders, Shirts, Collars, etc., etc.

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Everything in the Grocery line, including Fresh Meats, of all kinds, Fruits, Vegetables, Eggs, and Chickens. Rock bottom prices throughout. Prompt Free Delivery.

Seward's.

Whole wheat and Graham flour at SEWARD'S. Before painting or re-painting your house get Seward's prices on paints, oils and Atlantic lead. New stock of ready mixed paints received this week.

Seward's hardware department may not be the most complete in the United States, but when it comes to prices, he'll startle creation. Ship chandlery, building material, tools, implements, etc., at honest prices.

Seward will positively save you 25 to 50 per cent on footwear. This is what scores of new customers tell us, and they speak the truth. Honest goods at live and let live prices is our motto. A new stock of good, durable shoes just up ended.

Go to Seward's for fresh, first-class groceries at the lowest possible prices.

Remember, that R. K. Seward is agent for both Mapes's and Wilson & Loomis's fertilizers—best manufactured.

Seward's gents' furnishing department is recognized by all thinking people as a money-saving annex. Here you get regular 50-cent articles for a quarter.

Seward will supply you with anything from a needle to a brick house, at the lowest prices. Remember this.

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In getting the BEST goods at the LOWEST prices. That is what we are doing—getting the best of everything at lowest cost and giving

Our Customers the Benefit of the LOW PRICES we get ourselves. Accordingly when in need of Dry Goods, and Groceries, Shoes, Hats, Gents' Furnishings, or anything else in the nature of FAMILY, FARM or BOAT SUPPLIES, you will find it to your interest to call on

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